

Natural Gas Master Meter Operator Public Awareness Plan Handout

Facility Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ .

PUBLIC AWARENESS NOTICE TO RESIDENT

A continuing education program to enable occupants, in recognizing a natural gas pipeline emergency for the purpose of reporting it to the master meter operator, Fire Department, or local gas supply company.

This message is being provided pursuant to compliance with the minimum Federal Pipeline Safety Regulations 49 CFR Part §192.616 Public Awareness. (**Name of Apartment Owner, etc.**) is by definition a natural gas master meter operator purchasing natural gas for distribution. Our gas supplier owns the gas piping up to and including the gas meter and is not responsible for the maintenance of the gas piping supplying gas to all the buildings on our property. (**Name of Apartment Owner etc**) is responsible for all the natural gas piping beyond the gas meter, both above and below ground, and therefore must comply with the minimum Federal Pipeline Safety Regulations 49 CFR Part §192.

RECOGNITION OF GAS ODOR

Natural gas normally is non-toxic, tasteless, colorless and odorless. For your safety, an acrid chemical, is added to the natural gas so that you will recognize it immediately, should there ever be a leak. This chemical makes natural gas smell like sulphur, or rotten eggs.

If you smell natural gas, leave the building immediately, taking everyone with you (including pets), and leave all doors and windows open behind you. Don't re-enter the building to open doors and windows.

Do Not:

- 1) Use phones, computers, appliances, elevators or garage door openers
- 2) Touch electrical outlets, switches or doorbells
- 3) Smoke or use a lighter, match or other open flame
- 4) Position or operate vehicles or powered equipment where leaking natural gas may be present

Do:

- 1) From an outside location call the gas company at 000-000-0000 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Hearing & Speech Impaired: Dial 711.
- 2) From an outside location call other emergency contact persons

EMERGENCY CALL LIST

Fire Department: _____
Gas Supply Company: _____
Operator Contact: _____
Police Department: _____
Pipeline Safety: _____